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ATTORNEY GENERAL RAVNSBORG WARNS CONSUMERS OF ADDITIONAL FAKE SHIPPING COMPANIES

PIERRE, S.D. – Since November of 2018 the South Dakota Attorney General's office has been warning consumers of fictitious shipping companies operating under the names *Sioux Falls Vehicle Carriers* and *SD Safe Transport*. Both companies claimed to be physically located in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, but they never existed.

Attorney General Jason Ravensborg now asks that South Dakota consumers add the name *Sioux Falls Shippers Center* to this scam list.

"This is the kind of scam where people are targeted after they buy a vehicle from a website like Craigslist and some other online vehicle auction site. The "seller" will direct the buyer to their shipping company to facilitate the transaction," stated Ravensborg, "The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Office has received calls from individuals inquiring as to whether the business is legitimate. Our investigators confirm that *Sioux Falls Shippers Center* does not exist in South Dakota."

Ravnsborg also cautions consumer's "just because the scammers have put together a nice website, doesn't make them legitimate, consumer's need to check into the company fully before investing their funds."

This fictitious shipping company website is www.siouxfalls-shippers-center.com

Anyone who has fallen victim to this scam is encouraged to contact the Consumer Protection Division in their state. South Dakota victims are encouraged to call the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 800-300-1986 or email: consumerhelp@state.sd.us.